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FOURTH SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98, and in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56, the Office's attention is directed to the patents, publications and other information listed on the attached PTO-1449. A copy of each listed document is enclosed.

Regarding each listed document that is not in the English language, an English-language translation accompanies this Statement as indicated on the attached PTO-1449 or a concise explanation of the

relevance of the document, to the extent the foreign reference is understood, is set forth in the attachment entitled "Concise Explanation of Relevance of Non-English Language Documents."

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)(2), no item of information contained in this Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, and, to the knowledge of the undersigned person, after making reasonable inquiry, no item of information contained in this Statement was known to any individual designated in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this Statement. No fee is required.

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CONCISE EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE OF NON-ENGLISH LANGUAGE DOCUMENTS

Applicant provides the following explanation of relevance of the non-English language documents to the extent the foreign language document is understood or as otherwise indicated.

- 1. European Patent Application No. 381841 -- Based on review of the text, this reference appears to disclose a method and device for cleaning and sterilizing containers. The present reference appears to have the same disclosure as EP 381841 submitted in the IDS dated June 12, 2003. The present reference, however, contains claims in English and German.
- 2. Japanese Application No. 02-015159 This reference is the Japanese equivalent to EP 381841 and provides an English Abstract of a method and apparatus for clarifying and sterilizing a container.